

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 2225-01  
Bill No.: HB 991  
Subject: Drugs and Controlled Substances; Crimes and Punishment  
Type: Original  
Date: April 15, 2013

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Bill Summary: This proposal establishes the Meth Lab Elimination Act which reclassifies some forms of methamphetamine precursor drugs from schedule IV and V controlled substances to schedule III, requiring a prescription.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

☐ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).

☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Department of Corrections (DOC)** state requiring prescriptions for known meth precursors should make it more difficult for offenders to obtain and, therefore, manufacture methamphetamine. The passage of this legislation should result in a potential decrease in future cases sent to DOC for charges of possession, manufacture, distribution, trafficking, etc., of this illegal substance. The fiscal impact related specifically to this bill cannot be estimated, neither before or after passage of the proposal, but the unknown effect is assumed to be a positive for the DOC per each fiscal year.

**Oversight** assumes the savings the DOC may experience as a result of this proposal to be speculative and, therefore, is not presenting the savings for fiscal note purposes.

Officials from the **Office of Secretary of State (SOS)** state many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The Secretary of State's office is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to the SOS for Administrative Rules is less than \$2,500. The SOS recognizes this is a small amount and does not expect that additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, it is also recognized that many such bills may be passed by the General Assembly in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what the office can sustain within its core budget. Therefore, the SOS reserves the right to request funding for the cost of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the governor.

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR)** state the legislation is not anticipated to cause a fiscal impact to JCAR beyond its current appropriation.

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator, the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration, the Department of Health and Senior Services, the Department of Public Safety - Missouri State Highway Patrol and the Office of State Public Defender** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Officials from the **Office of Prosecution Services** did not respond to **Oversight's** request for a statement of fiscal impact.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2014 (10 Mo.)	FY 2015	FY 2016 ( 2 Mo.)
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2014 (10 Mo.)	FY 2015	FY 2016 (2 Mo.)
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

The proposal may impact small business physicians' offices and pharmacies. Physicians' offices may incur additional administrative expenses associated with writing more prescriptions and pharmacies may experience a reduction in sales since prescriptions will be required.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no direct fiscal impact.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of State Courts Administrator  
Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration  
Department of Corrections  
Department of Health and Senior Services  
Department of Public Safety -  
    Missouri State Highway Patrol  
Joint Committee on Administrative Rules  
Office of Secretary of State  
Office of State Public Defender

**Not Responding:**

Office of Prosecution Services



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